CERTIFICATE OF EFS FILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being electronically transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commissioner for Patents, via the EFS pursuant to 37 CFR §1.8 on the below date:

Date: July 22, 2008 Name: Robert R. Cleary, Jr. Signature: /Robert R. Cleary, Jr./

Our Case No. 10922/63 (PA-5355-RFB)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| In re Application of: | ) | |
| | ) | |
| Gary L. Butler et al. | ) | |
| | ) | Examiner: Ryan J. Severson |
| Serial No. 10/679,007 | ) | |
| | ) | Group Art Unit No. 3731 |
| Filing Date: October 3, 2003 | ) | |
| | ) | Conf. No. 8906 |
| For: RIGID EXTRACTOR | ) | |

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 22, 2008**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 22, 2008 and is submitted with a petition for a three month extension of time. Claims 1-7 and 9-53 are pending in the application. Claims 19-22 and 50-53 have been withdrawn. Claim 8 has been cancelled. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.